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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-1092-A)**

In re Application of:)	
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Witvrouw et al.)	
)	Examiner: Not yet assigned
Serial No.: New Application)	
)	Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned
Filed: October 9, 2001)	
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For: A Method for Producing)	
Micromachined Devices and)	
Devices Obtained Thereof)	

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231-9999

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provided by 35 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-98, the applicants wish to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. Copies of the references are enclosed. Copies are also listed in the PTO-1449 form enclosed herewith. It is requested that the documents be given careful consideration and that they be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application so that they will appear on the face of the patent issuing from the present application.

Portions of the references may be material to the examination of the pending claims, however no such admission is intended. 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (h). The references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the

references. This Statement is not a representation that the cited references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. sections 102 or 103.

CITED REFERENCES

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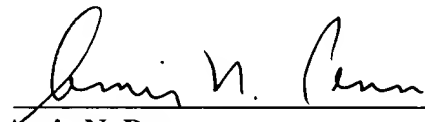
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-identified patent application:

- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) PTO-1449 Form
- ☒ Copies of IDS Citations (Total 6 References)
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

2. **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES:** Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **13-2490**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

3. **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10:** The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein-above, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231-9999, on this **25th** day of **October**, 2001.

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